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Pursuant to Ordering Paragraph No. 11 of Decision No. 06-05-041, the Administrative Law Judge's Ruling regarding Allocation of Gains on Sale of Utility Assets issued on June 29, 2006 in this docket, and subsequent e-mail instructions, Southern California Edison Company ("SCE") hereby submits the following comments proposing a threshold definition for "major facility" as that term is used in Section 455.5 of the Public Utilities Code.

By express statutory language, the obligations created by Section 455.5 are to be applied in the context of "generation or production facilities" in three disparate industries: electricity, natural gas, and water. Several times during the months of August and September, the parties to this proceeding met and conferred in an attempt to reach consensus on a definition for the term "major facility" as it is used in Section 455.5, in each of those industry contexts. While there remains considerable disagreement for a useable definition in the areas of water and natural gas,

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the parties with electric facilities appeared to come to a promising degree of consensus! for using the following definition for "major facility" in the electricity context:

A "major facility" is any generation facility of at least 50 MW, or that represents at least one percent (1%) of an electric utility's retained generation system capacity. (That system total would include the utility's pro-rata share in any jointly-owned facilities.) A reportable outage of a "portion of a major facility" should be interpreted as an outage of an independent operating unit of a major facility.

In practice and at present, the proposed definition would apply to the same group of SCE facilities using either the one percent prong (approximately 60 MW) or the 50 MW prong: capturing Mountainview, each of SCE's shares in coal and nuclear facilities, and SCE's larger hydroelectric facilities, as "major facilities."

Respectfully submitted,

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During the meet-and-confer teleconference, DRA's representatives were not in a position to commit to supporting this definition, but did not actively oppose it. The other interested parties participating in the teleconference (SCE, PG&E, SDG&E, and Aglet) appeared to support this definition.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY'S [U338-E] REPLY COMMENTS PRPOPOSING A CONSENSUS DEFINITION FOR "MAJOR FACILITY" AS USED IN PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE SECTION 455.5 upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Dated at Rosemead, California, this 8th day of September, 2006.

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